

## **FISCAL UPDATE News Article**

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## IOWA REVIEW TEAM RECOMMENDS NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS

**Recommendation.** Members of lowa's Science Standards Review Team recommended adoption of the Next Generation Science Standards with modifications as lowa's new science standards. The recommendation will be formalized in a report next month and will be sent to the State Board of Education for consideration.

**Background.** The Next Generation Science Standards were developed by a collaborative group of 26 states, including lowa. Academic standards represent consistent expectations for what students should know and be able to do from kindergarten through grade 12. lowa's academic standards are being reviewed, beginning with science, as part of <a href="Executive Order 83"><u>Executive Order 83</u></a> by Governor Branstad.

**Additional Information.** The Next Generation Science Standards are available at: <a href="http://www.nextgenscience.org/">http://www.nextgenscience.org/</a>. For more information about the lowa Science Standards Review Team, visit the lowa Department of Education <a href="website">website</a>.

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